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SUBJECT: EXBD DRAFT RESOLUTION ON RACE AND RACIAL  
PREJUDICE

REF: (A) PARIS 28564

1. DRAFT DR CALLING FOR CONVENING EXPERTS MEETING TO  
PREPARE DRAFT DECLARATION ON RACE AND RACISM FOR SUB-  
MISSION TO 20TH GENERAL CONFERENCE ADOPTED BY UNANI-  
MOUS VOTE OF UNESCO EXBD. US CHOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE  
IN VOTE AND HAD ITS HIGH PARTICIPATION NOTED IN RECORD.

2. DRAFT DR LEAVES ITEM ON AGENDA OF 19TH GEN. CONF. FOR  
PURPOSE OF DG'S REPORT. US AND WEO'S ABSTAINED ON  
PARAGRAPHS PERMITTING ITEM TO REMAIN ON AGENDA AND PER-  
MITTING DISCUSSION OF DG'S REPORT.

3. IN EXPLANATION OF NON-PARTICIPATION IN UNANIMOUS VOTE  
US PERMREP EXPLAINED THAT ALTHOUGH WE FAVORED PUTTING OFF  
CONSIDERATION OF A DRAFT DECLARATION TO THE 20TH GEN.  
CONF. WE DID NOT FEEL THAT EVEN A DISCUSSION BASED ON THE  
DG'S REPORT SHOULD TAKE PLACE AS THIS WOULD INEVITABLY  
GET INTO SUBSTANCE AND 19TH GEN. CONF. SHOULD BE LIMITED  
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ONLY TO PROCEDURAL ASPECTS.

4. COMMENT: RECOMMENDATION OF EXBD WILL MOST SURELY BE ADOPTED BY GEN. CONF. PUTTING OFF ADOPTION OF DRAFT DECLARATION ON RACE IS A MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT OF M'BOW AS IT CAME OVER STRONG OPPOSITION FROM ARABS AND SOVIETS, ALL OF WHOM ACQUIESED IN FINAL VOTE. LIKELY THERE WILL BE CONSIDERABLE MIXING OF SUBSTANCE WITH PROCEDURE IN THE DEBATE AT THE GEN. CONF. BUT THIS LIKELY BE "STICKE AND STONES" CATEGORY WITHOUT ANY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OTHER THAN TO ACCEPT RECOMMENDATION PUTTING OFF TO EXPERTS MEETING AND FINALLY TO 20TH GEN. CONF. IN FINAL STATEMENT, M'BOW RAISED A NEW ISSUE FOR FIRST TIME. HE WONDERED IF HE COULD BE GIVEN RIGHT TO CHOOSE THE EXPERTS RATHER THAN THE GOVERNMENTS. THIS IS CLEARLY A FURTHER EFFORT TO DIFFUSE THE ISSUE AND PRODUCE A GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE DRAFT WITH MINIMUM OF GOVERNMENTAL, POLITICAL INPUT. WHETHER THIS PROCEDURE WILL BE ADOPTED IS PROBMATICAL, ALTHOUGH SIGNS ARE THAT M'BOW WILL SEEK TO HAVE IT APPROVED.

5. TEXT OF RES. FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL.  
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